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**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF
FORMER STATE REPRESENTATIVE WALTER S. BROOKS, OF NEW
HAVEN.**

Resolved by this House:

1 WHEREAS, Walter S. Brooks, 67, of New Haven, died on July 21,
2 2000; and

3 WHEREAS, he was State Representative from 1981 through 1991,
4 representing the people of the 95th district in the City of New Haven;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, as State Representative, he was the first chairperson of

7 the Select Committee on Housing, and also served during his
8 legislative career as vice chairperson of the Joint Standing Committee
9 on Public Health, and a member of the Joint Standing Committees on
10 Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, Labor, and Energy
11 and Public Utilities; and

12 WHEREAS, he was born in Maryland and served in the United
13 States Air Force during the Korean Conflict; and

14 WHEREAS, he held several key state posts, including Legislative
15 Liaison for the Secretary of the State of Connecticut, Commissioner of
16 Liquor Control for the State of Connecticut, and Chairperson of the
17 Black and Hispanic Caucus; and

18 WHEREAS, during his long and active involvement as a community
19 and civil rights activist, he served as staff of the Community Progress
20 Inc., the first anti-poverty agency in the country; Coordinator of the
21 New Haven Central Coordinating Unit; City-wide Coordinator for
22 Voter Registration for the A. Phillip Randolph Institute; Chairperson of
23 the New Haven Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality and Field
24 Secretary of Northeastern Region of C.O.R.E.; Director of C.O.R.E.
25 Target City, Baltimore, Maryland; and Area Coordinator for March on
26 Washington, the march from Selma to Montgomery in 1965; and

27 WHEREAS, at the time of his death, he was the Chairperson of the
28 Board of Project MORE; Chairperson of the New Haven Housing
29 Authority; Vice Chairperson of the Democratic Town Committee; and
30 Project Director of Beulah Land Development Corporation; and

31 WHEREAS, he was well-known and greatly respected for his
32 commitment to and leadership for the well-being of the people of the
33 City of New Haven; and

34 WHEREAS, he leaves his wife, Andrea Jackson-Brooks; his sons,
35 Walter Steven Brooks and George Brooks of Baltimore, Maryland, and
36 Jonathan Brooks of Washington, D.C.; his stepsons, Daniel Gant and

37 Derrick Gant, both of New Haven; his daughters, Kathy Foust of
38 Baltimore, Maryland and Warrenia Steward of Atlanta, Georgia; his
39 brothers, Elder Richard Brooks of Hamden and Bishop Theodore L.
40 Brooks and Charles Brooks, both of New Haven; his sisters, Mary
41 Louise Harrell and Annie E. Bowers both of Hamden, and Esther M.
42 Brooks and Carol D. Oliver both of New Haven; eight grandchildren,
43 and many nieces and nephews.

44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of
45 Representatives expresses its sincere and heartfelt condolences on the
46 passing of Walter S. Brooks, whose death is a profound loss to the people
47 of New Haven and to the State of Connecticut; and

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49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk of the House of
50 Representatives cause a copy of this resolution to be sent to the family of
51 Walter S. Brooks as an expression of the high esteem in which he was
52 held.